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West Washington Agricultural Society—At C  
held, Sept. 25th and 26th.

There is a bountiful growth of second crop hay, and the weather has been fine for cutting and curing it.

That was a good two-years old heifer of Mr. Brett's, at the Bangor fair, to give 20½ pounds of milk at the fair. She is pure Holstein, and will make a record when older.

Turner County Creamery paid its patronage in the month of July 30 cents & 15¢ milk a pound for butter. The business done by the factory for the month amounted to \$57,727.03.

The potato rot has been checked by the late springing dry weather. The yield, however, in all the western part of the State, is hardly half a crop, and small and of poor quality at that.

Prof. James Chesman of Boston is to take charge of the business management of the well known "Deerfield Farm." South of Deerfield, owned and operated by Hon.

Edward Burnett. Deerfoot butter,  
and Jersey cattle have a wide repu-

and Jersey breeders and others who appreciate an article of the first water.

The growth of our export trade in cattle with Great Britain, is shown by the fact that there were shipped to that country in year 1888, 143,184 head against 96,812 the year previous. The present year there has been a still further increase, and it is expected very active for some months past, and will continue to be the remainder of the year.

The days of speculation in Jerseys have passed over to return to truthfully as the Jersey Bulletin. The interest has now settled down to business, and the Jersey cow has come to be recognized by the other breeds as the competitor for the best butter cow in the world; the cow that will make more butter out of a given amount of food than any other class of animal.

"My experience during several years," said Stewart, "has shown that sweet corn in the roasting ear stage is the richest butter-making green food that can be given to cows; next to this comes the green corn growing together, and cut when the pods are just beginning to form, and the oats are in the earliest bloom; later, millet cut when the seed is just coming from the sheath will make the early fall green feeding."

"It is better to make the acres now we have to produce twice as much as they do, than to double acres as they do, and then have to increase the acreage."

*—Hoard's Disgrace*

that's pretty talk on paper, but if you

Our forecast of the apple crop previously given is fully sustained by the latest information from the principal fruit growing sections. The lake counties of New York and Michigan, our strongest apple producing States, have had a bumper crop. In the European trade, hence are the chief factor this side the water in shaping the price of Maine shipping fruit. The European market closes the following from one of our Rochester exchanges:

"Apples are coming into market slowly and of inferior quality. In Niagara, Orleans, Monroe, Wyoming and Wayne counties, which are the principal apple growing section of the State, the crop is almost a total failure. The season has been so early and blighted. A few good orchards may be found, but they are few and the season is over."

scarcity of apples the price is high and variable.

The *Breeder's Gazette* indulges in just criticism on the horse nomenclature of the State Fair premium schedule. All such matters ought to be educational. If officers know correct names, why not tell the public them; if they do not they ought to inform themselves. The *Gazette* says:

If any Yankee farmers cannot originate breeds of live stock, or if at least claim for breeds regardless of the fact whether they exist or not, the American State Agricultural Society has provided a class in the premium list of its fair for "miscellaneous breeds of live stock and feline lions." In case this class lists the *Gazette* will be obliged to publish the names of the reporter "way down low" and investigate the merits of this newly-named breed—if it is—and furnish the public with the results of its points of merit. Really no better evidence of the absence of well-informed interest in the country than this is furnished than the classifications seen in the premium schedule of the State Fair.

There seems to be an ignorance of breed and names of breeds in the offices of a number of the State Fair officials, and which is quite inexcusable in view of the breeds which are shown and which can be obtained on such subjects. There is not

n, and yet there exists no good reason why the name should not be changed.

The State Fair at Lewiston last week was successful in the suggestions of the program. The society cannot expect to meet more favorable combination of circumstances than has led it up to the success of the week. The attendance was full to every department and in many directions exceeded anticipated in the history of the society. This gave something of interest for every group of people are, and all were satisfied.

The attendance was immense. No other word will quite express it. The people like to go to Lewiston to the fair. The people who have been present at all the former fairs claim the attendance on Thursday was larger than on any former day since the opening of the season of the fair. The gratification the officers on the success attained. The receipts reached an aggregate of something more than \$25,000, a sum more than has formerly been realized by the society for many years. The premiums

warded and expenses incurred during the year will reach \$15,000, leaving a balance of \$10,000.

to be placed against the debt of the society of fully ten thousand dollars, and with the prestige of the society on the top wave. Good management and square deal always bring success.

**Should Three-Year-Olds Compete with the Mature Animals?**

In the classification at many of the fairs this year, in the pure bred cattle, the three-year-old bulls and heifers are placed in competition with the mature animals and the mature animals. This was the case at Bangor, and the bulls were so classified in the Sioux Fair schedule. While it is true that with the more intensive breeding and the better care that stock is receiving these latter years, they mature earlier than formerly, yet with most of the breeding stock as well as among breeding animals of the show ring, which make up the contributions to the show ring, the three-year-olds are not fully developed in all their points, and the bulls and heifers is never fully developed. Hence, then, into the show ring with fully developed animals, is decidedly embarrassing to the breed and to the exhibitor.

inhibitors. The judges are placed

position of being obliged to ignore the three-year-old animals altogether, or draw upon their judgment what the animal will become in later years. It is questionable whether this latter course is in any case jus-